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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT AND OBJECTION

The Examiner objected to the specification for not incorporating sequence identifiers when referring to nucleic acid or amino acid sequences. Applicants note that a preliminary amendment was filed on December 15, 2003, incorporating sequence identifiers at various locations throughout the specification. Applicants are unsure if the Examiner is referring to the need for additional sequence identifiers beyond those set forth in the preliminary amendment. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner identify the particular sequences of concern, if they have not been already addressed by the preliminary amendment.

Responsive to the restriction mailed January 30, 2006, Applicants elect the invention of Group 1. The election is made with traverse. Under M.P.E.P. §§ 803, if a search and examination can be made without serious burden, the claims are to be examined on the merits. Here, the present claims do not present such a serious burden on the Examiner as to make restriction proper.

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